

REMARKS

Claims remaining in the present patent application are Claims 16, 18-20 and 22. By the amendment above, Claims 24-28, 30-36, and 38-45 have been canceled. Applicant respectfully requests consideration of the above captioned patent application in light of the remarks presented herein.

Drawings

Applicant has added new FIG. 4 to accommodate the Examiner's objection.

Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. §112, first paragraph

Claims 24-36 and 38-45 are rejected as failing to comply with the written description requirement. By the amendment above, claims 24-36 and 38-45 have been canceled. The rejection of those claims is therefore rendered moot.

Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. §103

The Examiner rejected claims 24, 26-28, 30, 31, 34, 36, and 38-45 as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 6,301,586 to Yang et al. ("Yang") in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,097,389 to Morris et al. ("Morris").

By the amendment above, claims 24, 26-28, 30, 31, 34, 36, and 38-45 have been canceled. The rejection of those claims is therefore rendered moot.

The Examiner rejected claims 25, 32, 33 and 35 as being unpatentable over Yang in view of Morris and further in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,964,025 to Angiulo et al.

By the amendment above, claims 25, 32, 33 and 35 have been canceled. The rejection of those claims is therefore rendered moot.

Conclusion

All of the stated grounds of rejection have been properly traversed, accommodated, or rendered moot. Applicants therefore respectfully request that the Examiner reconsider all presently outstanding rejections, and that they be withdrawn. The Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned representative if an interview might be useful for any reason.

Respectfully submitted,

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